

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

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1           1. (Previously Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental  
2 items on a pew, comprising:  
3           a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support,  
4 the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an  
5 inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of  
6 side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion  
7 comprising:  
8           an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end  
9 regions;  
10           a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse  
11 extents extending from one of the end regions of the  
12 longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the  
13 longitudinal extent;  
14           a pair of return extents, each of the return extents  
15 extending from one of the transverse extents, each of the  
16 return extents extending towards each other; and  
17           a pair of free end extents, each of the free end extents  
18 extending from one of the return extents; and  
19           a securing portion forming a hook for securing an ornamental  
20 item to the mounting portion, the hook opening toward a side edge  
21 of the mounting portion such that the hook portion is orientatable  
22 upwardly when the mounting portion grips a vertically extending  
23 portion of the pew support;  
24           wherein each of the transverse extents, the return extents, and  
25 the free end extents are arcuate such that a group of connected  
26 transverse, return and free end extents forms a portion of a circle.

1           2. (Original) The clip of claim 1 wherein the pair of  
2 transverse extents extend outwardly from the inner face of the  
3 longitudinal extent, each of the transverse extents having opposite  
4 end regions, a first one of the end regions of each of the transverse  
5 extents being joined to one of the end regions of the longitudinal  
6 extent.


3. (Cancelled).

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Cancelled).

1           6. (Previously Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental  
2 items on a pew, comprising:  
3           a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support,  
4 the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an  
5 inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of  
6 side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion  
7 comprising:  
8           an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end  
9 regions;  
10           a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse  
11 extents extending from one of the end regions of the  
12 longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the  
13 longitudinal extent;  
14           a pair of return extents, each of the return extents  
15 extending from one of the transverse extents, each of the  
16 return extents extending towards each other; and  
17           a pair of free end extents, each of the free end extents  
18 extending from one of the return extents;

19 wherein each of the free end extents extends inwardly from  
20 one of the return extents, each of the free end extents being oriented  
21 generally perpendicular to the longitudinal extent.

 1 7. (Original) The clip of claim 1 wherein each of the end  
2 edges of the mounting portion is located on one of the free end  
3 extents, and a gap is formed between the end edge on the free end  
4 extent and the longitudinal extent.

1 8. (Previously Amended) The clip of claim 7 wherein a  
2 distance of the gap is approximately one-half of a distance of a  
3 farthest extent of the return extents from the longitudinal extent.

9. (Cancelled).

1 10. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim 1 wherein the  
2 securing portion comprises a securing arm, the securing arm has a  
3 first end mounted on the mounting portion and a second end being  
4 free of connection to the mounting portion, the second end being  
5 biased against the outer face of the mounting portion.

11. (Cancelled).

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Cancelled).

14. (Cancelled).

15. (Cancelled).

16. (Cancelled).

1           17. (Currently Amended) A clip for supporting ornamental  
2 items on a pew, comprising:

3           a mounting portion for gripping a portion of a pew support,  
4 the mounting portion having a pair of opposite faces including an  
5 inner face and an outer face, the mounting portion having a pair of  
6 side edges and a pair of end edges, the mounting portion  
7 comprising:

8           an elongate longitudinal extent having opposite end  
9 regions;

10           a pair of transverse extents, each of the transverse  
11 extents extending from one of the end regions of the  
12 longitudinal extent in a generally transverse orientation to the  
13 longitudinal extent;

14           a pair of return extents, each of the return extents being  
15 connected to one of the transverse extents, each of the return  
16 extents extending towards each other; and

17           a securing portion for removably securing an ornamental item  
18 on the mounting portion, the securing portion having a first end  
19 being mounted on the mounting portion adjacent to a first one of the  
20 side edges of the mounting portion and a second end free of  
21 connection to the mounting portion and being biased against the  
22 outer face of the mounting portion, the free second end of the  
23 securing portion extending past a second one of the side edges of  
24 the mounting edge.

1           18. (Previously Amended) The clip of claim 17 wherein the  
2 mounting portion includes a pair of free end extents, each of the  
3 free end extents extending between one of the transverse extents and  
4 one of the free end extents, each of the return extents extending  
5 from one of the transverse extents and towards each other.

19. (Cancelled).

1        20. (Previously Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the hook  
2 comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the mounting  
3 portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, the second  
4 end of the securing arm extending toward one of the side edges of  
5 the mounting portion.

1        21. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim ~~20~~ 1 wherein the  
2 hook comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the  
3 mounting portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, and  
4 wherein the free second end of the securing arm extends past one of  
5 the side edges of the mounting portion.

1        22. (Currently Amended) The clip of claim ~~20~~ 1 wherein the  
2 hook comprises a securing arm with a first end mounted on the  
3 mounting portion and a second end free of the mounting portion, and  
4 wherein one of the side edges of the mounting portion defines a  
5 plane, and the free second end of the securing arm extends through  
6 the plane of the side edge.

23. (Cancelled).

24. (Cancelled).

Please add the following claims:

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1           25. (Added) The clip of claim 17 wherein one of the side  
2 edges of the mounting portion defines a plane, and the free second  
3 end of the securing arm extends through the plane of the side edge.

1           26. (Added) The clip of claim 25 wherein the securing arm  
2 abuts against the mounting portion at a junction of the outer face  
3 and the second side edge of the mounting portion.

1           27. (Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the securing arm is  
2 mounted on the mounting portion adjacent to a first one of the side  
3 edges and the securing arm extends across the outer face of the  
4 mounting portion and abuts against a second one of the side edges  
5 of the mounting portion.

1           28. (Added) The clip of claim 27 wherein the securing arm  
2 abuts against the mounting portion at a junction of the outer face  
3 and the second side edge of the mounting portion.

1           29. (Added) The clip of claim 1 wherein the mounting  
2 portion has a substantially uniform width, the mounting portion  
3 having a substantially uniform thickness, the mounting portion  
4 being formed of a resiliently flexible material, the pair of side  
5 edges being oriented substantially parallel to each other, the  
6 mounting portion having a pair of end edges, the pair of end edges  
7 each extending substantially perpendicularly to the side edges;  
8           wherein the longitudinal extent is substantially planar;  
9           wherein the pair of transverse extents extend outwardly from  
10 the inner face of the longitudinal extent, each of the transverse  
11 extents being arcuate, each of the transverse extents having opposite  
12 end regions, a first one of the end regions of each of the transverse

13 extents being joined to one of the end regions of the longitudinal  
14 extent;

15 wherein each of the return extents extending generally parallel  
16 to the longitudinal extent, each of the return extents extending from  
17 a second one of the end regions of one of the transverse extents,  
18 each of the return extents being arcuate;

19 wherein each of the free end extents extending inwardly from  
20 one of the return extents, each of the free end extents being oriented  
21 substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal extent, each of the  
22 end edges of the mounting portion being located on one of the free  
23 end extents, a gap being formed between the end edge on the free  
24 end extent and the longitudinal extent;

25 wherein a distance of the gap being approximately one-half of  
26 a distance of a farthest extent of the return extents from the  
27 longitudinal extent; and

28 wherein the securing portion being located on the outer face of  
29 the mounting portion, the securing portion comprising a securing  
30 arm for holding a portion of an ornamental item against the  
31 mounting portion, the securing arm having a first end mounted on  
32 the mounting portion and a second end being free of connection to  
33 the mounting portion, the securing arm generally converging toward  
34 the outer face at the second end thereof to form a channel  
35 therebetween for receiving a portion of an ornamental item, the  
36 second end of the securing arm being biased against the mounting  
37 portion.

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